



## CITY OF LODI COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

**AGENDA TITLE:** Approve Specifications and Authorize Advertisement for Bids for Tree Trimming for Fiscal Year 2011/12

**MEETING DATE:** March 2, 2011

**PREPARED BY:** Public Works Director

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**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** Approve specifications and authorize advertisement for bids for tree trimming for Fiscal Year 2011/12.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION:** This project would provide for the structural pruning, maintenance trimming, emergency calls, and removal of City trees at various locations throughout the City for the Fiscal Year 2011/12. The objective of this contract is to improve the health of our urban forest and reduce costs associated with this effort.

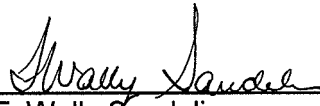
The purpose of this bid is to secure pricing for miscellaneous tree work which includes crown reductions, mistletoe, removals, and emergency call outs. Recently, much of the annual tree trimming budget was spent on removals and emergency responses due to storm-related damage, reducing the available funding for grid pruning. The contract will be for one year with two options to renew, if mutually agreeable.

The specifications are on file in the Public Works Department. The planned bid opening date is March 22, 2011.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** Selective tree maintenance should reduce the emergency calls.

**FUNDING AVAILABLE:** Funds for this project will come from 2011/12 Street Operating (3215036).

Project Estimate: \$50,000

  
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